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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

March 17, 1948

Dear Mr. Souers:

In the absence of the Under Secretary I am transmitting a copy of a Policy Planning Staff paper (PPS-22/1), approved by the Under Secretary, which requests implementation in part by the Central Intelligence Agency (page 11, paragraph 6). I shall be grateful if you would transmit this request to the appropriate authorities in CIA.

We are not proceeding through the usual intelligence channels with this request because the nature of the study desired relates more to the possibility of clandestine operations than it does to intelligence.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

George H. Butler  
Acting Director  
Policy Planning Staff

Enclosure:

Policy Planning Staff  
paper (PPS-22/1, Cy. #5)

Mr. Sidney Souers  
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